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lightful love story. Also a star
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'At the Sign of the Jack O'Lantern'
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With Betty Ross Clark and Victor
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The Lovely Billie Dove in
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PRESIDENT WILL LAY RAIL SITUATION BEFORE CONGRESS WITHIN NEXT FORTY-EIGHT HOURS

NEW CONTRACT FOR COAL MINERS WILL BE SIGNED TUESDAY ENDING THE STRIKE

Formal Ratification Is Expected At Joint Meeting This Afternoon
PROVIDES SAME WAGE WHEN STRIKE STARTED
Mines of Five States Are Affected By The Agreement

(By Associated Press.)
CLEVELAND, Aug. 15.—Formal ratification of the contract for the settlement of the coal strike will be made this afternoon when soft coal operators meet the miners in joint conference for a final settlement of the fuel strike.
The settlement provides that the miners shall return to work on the same wage scale as when they struck and the treaty will be effective until April 1, 1923. The appointment of an advisory fact finding commission whose duties are to settle further disputes is also provided for in the contract.
The miners of Ohio, West Virginia, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Indiana with an annual output of sixty million tons are affected.

END OF STRIKE SEEN
(By International News Service.)
CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 15.—The end of the coal strike, as it affects approximately 60,000,000 annual tons in the coal fields in six states, was expected to come today when the full scale committee and the policy committee of the United Mine Workers of America will be asked to ratify a tentative agreement, drawn early this morning by a committee of two union officials and two operators and submitted to the sub-scale committees of both sides.
Neither side would state upon what terms the agreement had been reached but it is understood the wage scale of 1920 is taken as the basis and the check-off and other conditions of that agreement retained.
The only new feature, which the tentative agreement is believed to contain, is a provision for a fact finding commission to investigate the mining industry and make a report. The arbitration clause contained in the agreement, drawn for the original four state conference, is not incorporated in the new instrument.
The states in which mining operations are expected to be resumed within a few days, as a result of the making of the present agreement are: Ohio, Central Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan, each of these states being represented in the re-organized conference which is conducting present negotiations.

Ruins of Ancient City Discovered

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—The ruins of an ancient city of great size and proportions hitherto unknown has been uncovered in Magdalena in the province of Colombia, forty miles from the Caribbean coast, twenty miles south of Santa Marta, according to the South American archeological expedition of the Field Museum of Natural History it was announced here today.

CONDUCTS MEETING

Rev. J. H. Hill is conducting a protracted meeting at Falkville at the Christian church, of which he is pastor. Services are being held only in the evening, the attendance being good, and marked interest being manifested in the services which will last through the week.

COUNT OR NO COUNT SHE LOVES HIM



Miss H. Len Nelson, a Union Hill (N. J.) school teacher, married Edward de Jimenez, who said he was a Spanish Count, but who had gladly renounced his title and allegiance to the King of Spain to become a plain American citizen and act as a floor walker in a New York department store at \$45 a week. Some one cast doubt upon the Count's title, whereupon both he and his wife declared it didn't matter—he was an American citizen, not a Count, and, besides, love was the only thing that counted with them.

TWO MEN PAY THE DEATH PENALTY

(By International News Service.)
NASHVILLE, Aug. 15.—James McElroy, white "Holly Roller" preacher of Rockwood and Austin Harris, negro of Jackson were electrocuted here this morning at the state penitentiary.
The death of the two alleged murderers brought the toll of the electric chair to eleven for the past six months and is a new record in the state.
The white man who shot and killed a Roane county merchant, who had refused him credit, because the Lord told him to, maintained the same silence that had characterized him since being brought to the prison. Only once, last night, did he break down on the occasion of a fellow prisoner from his home county, singing.
Harris slept soundly the greater part of the night. Just before he entered the death cell he called those who had remained around him and told them, "to vote the democratic ticket in the November election." These were his last words.

MEMPHIS CARMEN VOTE TO STRIKE

(By International News Service.)
MEMPHIS, Aug. 15.—Following the decision of a board of arbiters the street car conductors and motormen of Memphis voted to strike at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. The men, with the exception of thirteen, voted to surrender their union charter and quit work.
The strike will tie up all transportation in Memphis with the exception of "jitneys."

Grand Jury At Work In Morgan

The circuit court, Judge R. C. Brickell presiding, got down to business shortly after 10 o'clock Monday morning, and the docket set for trial that day was sounded. Proper showing being made a number of cases set for trial that day were continued to a future session of the court. Court adjourned at 2:30 o'clock until 9 a. m. today.
The grand jury was assembled, and an able charge was given by Judge Brickell. A large number of witnesses are being brought before this inquisitorial body today. L. O. Waldsmith of Hartselle is foreman.

PRESIDENT CEASES EFFORTS AT PEACE SPOKESMAN AVERS AFTER CONFERENCE

Senator Watson Says Negotiations Off, So Far As Government Concerned

MAJORITY OF EXECUTIVES IN FAVOR OF MEDIATION

Indiana Solon "Has Reason To Believe" Strike Not Popular

(By International News Service.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—"So far as President Harding is concerned all government negotiations for ending the railroad strike are off" it was declared here today by Senator James Watson of Indiana after he had spent an hour in conference with the President at the White House.
"The President feels that he has gone as far as he can," said Watson. Senator Watson said that this in no way affected the direct negotiations between strike leaders and executives now being considered by the union representatives.

"There is also reason to believe," Senator Watson said "that three fourths of the executives of the country favor mediation. Although President Harding has abandoned personal efforts to bring the tie up to an end the administration nevertheless looks with favor and will encourage every effort in bringing about a settlement."
Speaker Gillette also conferred with the President this morning prior to the cabinet meeting. The President did not indicate when he would go to congress according to his callers although he gave the impression that it would be the last of the week.

BIG FOUR ACTIVE

(By International News Service.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Another thrust toward peace in the critical railroad strike was being made today. The peace move was being engineered by the Big Four with the sanction of the President.
It aimed at "sounding out" the rail heads who were sympathetic with the President's plan to ascertain as to whether there has been a change in the feeling.

Efforts were being made today, to persuade union leaders to call off the strikes on those roads that are willing to comply with "unimpaired seniority" put forth two weeks ago. The union leaders assert they cannot consent to it as it would mean a break in the solidarity of labor and would result in their helping to break their own strike. They assert that roads that gained relief would help the "die hard" roads with repaired equipment.

While the cabinet met at the white house and congress reassembled at the capitol, leaders of the sixteen standard railroad unions, again went into session at the machinist's building for the principal purpose of considering negotiations with the railroads.
There was not much optimism. Union leaders said they could count on a few roads, among them the Southern, the B. & O. and some of the smaller roads that have been affected by the strike, but unless there has been a great change in the attitude of a majority of the executives they privately declared the strike would continue indefinitely.

MAY OFFER PROTECTION

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—President Harding, having abandoned all efforts towards mediation of the rail strike, was declared today by his advisers to have virtually decided to inform railway executives that in the operation of trains that they will be

Big Four Men At Memphis Delay Their Walkout

(By International News Service.)
MEMPHIS, Aug. 15.—The threatened walkout of engineers, firemen and switchmen in railway yards at Memphis scheduled to take place at 8 a. m. today was delayed when instructions were received from the Big Four to get further data on defective machinery before quitting.
Twenty-five hundred men were affected.

CRAFTSMEN HOLD REGULAR MEET AT PRINCESS THEATER

The fire at the Masonic Theatre made it necessary for the rail strikers to move their meeting place from that Theatre, and by the courtesy of its manager, H. B. Cagle, they met at the Princess this morning. In opening the meeting the chairman stated that until the insurance matter was adjusted at the Masonic the meetings would be held at the Princess. He spoke at length in appreciation of Mr. Cagle's kindness and warned the men to be very careful in the use of the building. Following a song service, an earnest prayer was offered by Rev. T. B. Harwell. The Publicity committee report was made which included a letter from the Secretary of the L. & N. system federation, in which attention was called to the condition of the rolling stock on the system. Frank Lewis reported in behalf of the relief committee and took occasion to express thanks for the voluntary donations made since yesterday.

The Pickett committee reported favorably stating that at last the information was becoming general that under the federal injunction peaceful picketing was allowed, although the number of picket posts were limited to the number of points of ingress and egress. The speech of E. R. Roper dealt with conditions in Mobile. The meeting closed with prayer by T. F. Lewis.

RAIN NEEDED BY MORGAN FARMERS

Rain, which has threatened in the Tennessee Valley for the past several days has failed to arrive. The time has arrived according to farmers over the country when a rain is absolutely needed, and much damage will result unless it should be forthcoming at no distant day. Much of the corn which was late in planting on account of the inability to prepare the land and plant on account of the extreme wet prevailing, will fail to mature unless good seasons prevail from this time on.

There is a compensation pointed out by the planters though, in the fact that the dry weather has done much to assist in fighting the boll weevil, whose damage thus far has been negligible, compared with what was feared this season. A more intelligent effort was manifested this season in fighting this pest than in former years, and to this timely effort, the splendid results now visible are in a large measure due.

On one farm near here the owner has just baled over 500 bales of fine clover hay, and has it safe in the barn. It is said that there is more clover hay in evidence now than for several years here.

WEATHER

For Alabama—Cloudy tonight and Wednesday, probably showers on the coast.

JERVIS FOUNDRY IS PHYSICIAN FOR ALL INDUSTRIAL PLANTS IN VALLEY SECTION

Owner Visualizes Possibilities of Development of The Tennessee River

WOULD ENLARGE BOAT LINES ON BIG STREAM Tells of Early History of One Of Biggest Local Industries

(By J. E. Blair.)

The office of the Jervis Foundry and Machine shop in Decatur furnishes a splendid vantage point from which to see the Tennessee river and to visualize its possibilities.

Mr. Jervis, the president of this company, that does so much steamboat repair work, declared that his business would grow by leaps and bounds, the moment navigation was opened through the Muscle Shoals section of the Tennessee, so as to allow steamers to ply from above Chattanooga to the Ohio. "I know the Bond Brothers for whom I do a lot of work have in mind the establishing of a large barge line the moment Mr. Ford, or the government opens the river to navigation."

He declared that such steamers as the "Sonny Boy" and the "Troxell" boats on which his men work would advance in value rapidly if projected Tennessee river improvements were actually accomplished.

One of the Oldest of the Old

In 1887, an unmarried quick stepping young man landed in Decatur. He turned out to be one of the "boomers" of that day who stuck and made good. His name was A. D. Jervis, president of the above named concern, of the Ice Factory Company of the box and basket factory, and a director of the Morgan County Building & Loan of the Alabama Brick and Tile Company, and of The City National Bank. Mr. Jervis said he had just enough money to put him in Decatur from Cincinnati, where he had worked at the machinist's trade since his landing in America from Wales in 1880.

"My brother, J. D. Jervis, gave me a job, and later helped me start our first machine shop which was located near our present buildings. One day as I was working away, a tall man named Long, asked me what I was doing, and upon receiving my reply, asked why could he not go in with me as he had some machine shop machinery. I told him his idea suited me but I did not know he meant business until a few days afterwards I received a wire from him at Cincinnati, saying himself and family and his machinery were due in Decatur in two days time."

"For nine years Mr. Long and myself did business as equal partners without a scratch of a pen as to a contract and we never quarreled."

"We were both too busy."
But finally Mr. Long wished to move on, so I bought him out." Mr. Jervis said since 1897 he had been operating under the firm name of A. D. Jervis and Company—adding "The Company means my wife to whom I am deeply indebted."

"In 1898, we added a foundry to the machine shop already in operation. One of your most valuable assets are the hundreds of patterns we have stored away and ready at a moment's notice. In case we are asked to make castings for any of our patrons for fifty miles around we already have the patterns. "I suppose if these patterns had to be replaced, it would cost close to \$10,000 to do it." Among the patterns noticed were those for the large "over-shot" water wheels used still in rural communities, a number used in repairs for the American Oak Extract Company just up the river, a lot of Saw Mill machinery patterns, patterns for the

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LADY BOOKMAKER MAKES HIT IN ENGLAND



Mrs. Vernay is a lady "bookie," society woman and bridge player of London, who says women who want to bet on the races like to do business with one of their own sex and that she gets all the betting commission she can handle, numbering some of the best-known women in the British Isles among her "clients."

SILVER ANSWERS FORD CRITICS ON SECTIONS OF BID

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Replying to criticism of Senator Harrell of Oklahoma and other members of Congress that Henry Ford's offer on the proposed lease of Muscle Shoals does not include guarantee manufacture of fertilizer, Gray Silver, Washington representative of the American Farm Bureau Federation, today, wrote them quoting section fifteen of the Ford offer stating: Manufacture and distribution of commercial fertilizer constitute one of the principal considerations of this offer.

Mississippi Has Primary Election

(By Associated Press.)

JACKSON, Miss., Aug. 15.—Forty thousand women were among the hundred and seventy-five thousand voters going to the polls today in the state to say which of the three candidates shall occupy the seat in the United States Senate which Senator John Sharp Williams relinquishes next March after a twelve year occupancy.

Former Senator Vardaman, Hubert Stephens and Belle Kearney are the three candidates in the race for the office.

Detour On Bee Line Road Necessary

Owing to the fact that work is now going on on the Bee Line highway between this point and Hartselle, it is necessary to make a detour around via Austinville, coming back into the highway at a point south of Cedar Lake. From time to time the detour will be changed as the work progresses, it being the intention of those having the work in charge to cause as little interruption of travel as possible. The work is progressing from the corporation line of Albany south. It will be necessary during the progress of the work to detour via way of Pricerville, arriving at Hartselle via Bethel church, 1 mile north of that town.

Stalled Trains Are Running Tuesday

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 15.—It is reported here today that all passenger trains stalled by the walkout of the Big Four Brotherhoods are running. It is also stated that efforts are under way to move all freight tied up from the same cause.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE IS NOT YET AGREED ON RECOMMENDATIONS WILL MAKE SOLONS

He Is Not Yet Prepared to State Just What He Will Ask

GRANT OF BROAD POWER MAY BE SOUGHT BY HIM

New Developments Will Largely Determine Character of The Message

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—President Harding will lay the railroad strike situation before congress and before the people within 48 hours, it was announced officially at the White House this afternoon, following the cabinet meeting.

Accompanying the announcement that the President would go to congress either tomorrow or Thursday was the frank statement that he was not yet prepared to state what he will ask of the legislative branch of government.

A grant of broad powers to enable the President to take over the railroads, in the event of a complete breakdown in transportation, is one of the possibilities of the situation, but no comment was forthcoming from the white house on that particular phase of it.

It would be quite impossible for President Harding to indicate his intentions or forecast his recommendations at this time, it was said at the white house, because the strike situation is fluctuating so rapidly that conditions may be entirely different by the time he actually gets to congress.

The impression was drawn at the white house this afternoon that developments within the next 48 hours will largely determine the character of the President's message.

In deciding to go before congress President Harding informed visitors today of his belief that it is only by this step that he can play fair with the congress and the country.

Only one thing in relation to the message to congress has been definitely determined, it was said, and that is that the whole story as the President has learned it in three weeks of almost constant negotiations with both sides, will be told fully.

President Harding does not regard his going to congress as in any way interfering with any attempts to settle the controversy between the railroads and the employees themselves. Such pacific endeavors, it was said, are to be encouraged.

SILENCE BROKEN

(By International News Service.)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Leaders of the striking railway shompen today broke the silence they have maintained since receiving President Harding's latest proposal to end the strike, by making public their letter of rejection and by issuing a statement denouncing the reply of the railway executives.

The statement of the shompen was signed by Bert M. Jewell, head of the railway employees department of the American Federation of Labor.

"The Association of Railroad Executives has again declined to accept the President's proposal," Jewell declared. "They have not even agreed to permit all employees now on strike to return to work."

"The railroad management apparently intends to be a court, judge and jury for the trial and conviction of those employees who they do not intend shall return to work."

The strikers' letter to the President was a flat rejection of his proposal that they return to work pending adjustment of the question of seniority rights by the railway board.

They pointed out that on July 31,

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WE FAVOR ACCEPTANCE OF HENRY FORD'S BID FOR MUSCLE SHOALS.

EVIDENCE DEVOID OF POLITICAL SENTIMENT.

Often times in the past when evidence has been introduced against the liquor traffic, those who would have liked to refute it, have had to content themselves by saying that prohibition was just a political foot ball, pure and simple. And often times the most profound arguments against the use of liquor have been put down as only propaganda, intended to bear fruit for the benefit of some few selfishly interested individuals. When the emotions have been appealed to to destroy liquor too often the opponents of prohibition have said, that such appeals were unfair and sensational.

There is one source of information that none can criticize or doubt, namely the life tables of the insurance companies. And to use a very popular phrase just now—"they happen" to be strongly against the use of whiskey and kindred drinks.

Nobody would charge the insurance companies with any other motive and concern that those of purely business nature. Those companies are not worrying about the moral or religious aspects of prohibition, what they are interested in, is to prolong the lives of their policy holders. There is no sentiment of a political nature in what the life insurance companies have to say about the evils of intemperance. In fact they have very little to say—they just present the facts as to the longevity of total abstainers occasional drinkers and drunkards. Between the years from 1866 to 1910 an old line insurance company of England shows that even moderate drinkers had a mortality record of 37 per cent above the total abstainers. In this country the most notable test as to the killing ability of whiskey, was made by what is known as the Medico-Aetuarial investigation, covering the period between 1885 and 1908. It is stated that in order to make this test perfectly fair all persons who had a bad family health record or were known to be physically unfit were excluded, and the following result was shown:

First, those who were accepted as standard lives, but whose histories showed occasional alcoholic excess in the past. The mortality in this group was fifty per cent in excess of the mortality among insured lives in general, equivalent to a reduction of over four years in the average lifetime of the group.

Second, individuals who took two glasses of beer, or a glass of whisky, or their alcoholic equivalent, each day. In this group the mortality was 18 per cent in excess of the average.

Third, men who indulged more freely than the preceding group, but who were considered acceptable as standard insured "risks." In this group the mortality was 86 per cent in excess of the average.

PROPOSED NEW TARIFF MEANS HIGH PRICES FOR GLOVES.

Another attack has been made on the proposed Republican tariff, by the New York Herald, a paper always considered of strongly Republican leanings. That newspaper has taken up the Fordney-McCumber Tariff bill, with special reference to its provisions for an import tax on men's and women's gloves. Women voters will be interested to know that whereas the Underwood tariff bill now the law of the land places a tariff of \$2.00 a dozen on ladies gloves the McCumber bill, if passed as it now reads, will place a tax of twice the Underwood tariff on the same gloves; and men's gloves under the same bill will bear a tariff tax of \$5.00 a dozen.

The Payne-Aldrich bill put a tariff of \$3.00 a dozen on gloves, the Dingley tariff \$3.00; while the McKinley tariff on gloves was \$3.25 a dozen.

It is pointed out by The Herald, that while the proposed tax on gloves is the highest ever sought that there is a still more damaging provision in the bill concerning gloves. A clause of the McCumber bill is quoted as saying "provided the rate of duty is not less than 60 percent or more than 70 percent ad valorem, which means that under no circumstances can the rate fall below and \$4.00 contemplated. But as the duty is fixed "ad valorem," it must follow that if the value say of French money rises, we will be paying much more than a tax of \$4.00 a dozen. It is pointed out by the Herald, that should the French mark rise from its present exchange value of about 9 cents, to its normal value 19.30 cents, the price of gloves to American importers and hence to American consumers could go up accordingly.

It is claimed that gloves at the present standing of a French franc, nine cents, would cost 150 francs in Paris or \$13.50—but when the franc gets back to normal value gloves costing 150 francs in Paris would be worth \$28.95 in our money. Then with the 60 percent provision coming in, the duty of gloves would rise to \$17.37 according to the Herald figures. And another consideration is that an American glove maker is going to consider his American made gloves one

cent less valuable than imported gloves, consequently he will raise the price of his gloves to what foreign made gloves sell at. Again using the figures of the New York Herald it is quite possible for American women to pay as high as \$1.54 duty on every pair of imported gloves she wears. If the Fordney-McCumber tariff should become a law, according to the Herald the wearing of gloves in the future will become quite a distinction except among the very well off.

WHEN AUTUMN COMES.

When the Autumn moon looks down on vale and hill, and the shimmering lances of mellow light go darting into the deep recesses of the woodland, out where the cricket calls, and where the hoot, hoot of the wise owl is heard, the most melancholy time of nature is pervading. It is beautiful over field and woodland to go out on an evening like this, and drink in the melancholy stillness, shrouded in colors of sombre hue, telling in almost audible tones that summer has gone, and winter is peeping through the bare limbs of the trees which soon are to be wrapped in nature's cold.

We are creatures of variety. After spending three months indoors, when outside the shrill winds are shrieking through the cracks and crannies of every available entrance unbidden, we long for the warmth of a summer sun, when the great invitation is given to come out into the open and enjoy the great contrast, "for Spring would be but dreary weather if—". The last of the outings are now being held, and little gathering of this character are being brought to a close, for soon there must be a return to more sterner duties. But, there will be carried with those who thus enjoyed, a memory of them, which the mind will feast upon while the sterner realities of life are engaging our attention. It is well that we have the contrasts, for in this great provision we are made to enjoy each period with a zest, and treasure up the memory of each occasion to feast upon in the future.

THOSE FALL APPLES.

In many of the orchards of this country there is now a hard apple. To those who are looking for good fruit to eat, they pass this one by. It is distinctly a Fall apple. By that we mean an apple which does not get ripe until the nights get cold, and frost is in the air. These apples grow usually to large proportions. They are then carefully picked and placed away in the attics usually, or some convenient place, to be eaten when the appetite calls. These have a delicious flavor, and rarely ever get mellowed until sometime after they are picked. When the mellowing process is complete, there comes from the receptacle where they are packed, such tempting odors that the palate is at once made ready for the eating. They are grainy, and possess all the flavor of a really perfect apple. It is generally with great pride that this fruit is brought out when visitors come, and they are bidden to partake. The memory of them is lasting, and one who has ever partaken of these apples gathered in the fall and placed away to mellow, never forget the deliciousness of them, and they are always on the alert for more of that particular kind. Speaking of good things to eat on one of these farms where provision is made to take care of such things as nature so lavishly bestows from year to year, can be seen in the pantries well prepared awaiting the time when winter with his "hoary lock and breath" comes, a tempting array of good things prepared by the good woman of the home, and carefully looked after and guarded as if it was a treasure, and in a way it is.

In just two more weeks the schools of the country will begin another term. How fast the time has flown. The vacation period is over, and the mind must now take up its task of storing again useful information. The entire body has been energized from the period spent in the great outdoors and is ready for the indoor work. Teachers and scholars alike will return fresh and determined to take up and carry forward where the duties were left off. It is a great epoch in the life of the great army of young people who annually enter the institutions of learning of the country, and upon the faithful execution of the time and their talent, depends the record which will be made the coming term. Many enter with the will to make the very best possible.

EUROPE IS STILL WRANGLING OVER ITS WAR DEBTS.

Diplomats are not given to plain speaking and for some reason or other we would expect it least of all from a Japanese diplomat, but Baron Hayashi, Japanese representative at the meeting of allied statesmen in London, wittily observed, "I think the single object of the allies should be to get all the money possible."

He treated the first laughter of an otherwise gloomy session. Perhaps his hearers found his remark all the more amusing because it struck shrewdly at the real reason why the allies have been able to agree on no definite program to settle Europe's post-war problems.

A great howl would go up at the suggestion, but in the long run European nations, and the world in general, might be better off if they quit scheming to collect the last farthing or franc for war damages, wipe the slate clean, or as clean as they can make it without inviting bankruptcy, and make a fresh start.

It looks now as if the nations of Europe would be burdened for generations by war debts, while paying out huge sums of money in preparation for the next war. If they could get war out of their minds and hearts and face the future, determined to solve all their financial problems by hard work, it would not be necessary to call repeated conferences of diplomats which accomplish nothing.

The recuperative powers of nations is extraordinary. If France never collected another gold mark from Germany, and if none of the other war claims were settled, does anyone believe that the nations concerned would cease to exist? Certainly not. As long as a nation retains its virility, not even fire and the sword can destroy it. On the contrary, many a nation has achieved greatness in hardship and adversity.

Eventually, Europe may decide, as the best way out, to pocket her war losses. As a business venture the World War was not a success, viewed from any angle.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

New York Letter

by Lucy Jeanne Price

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Ludlow Street jail is having a new sensation in housing a woman prisoner. That is the jail known as the "Alimony Club," the place where husbands are sent for contempt of court, when the contempt consists in neglecting to pay their alimony on the dot. Mrs. Fallani Marleoni has established the fact that a woman, too, can err in matrimonial affairs to the extent of landing in Ludlow Street. It wasn't too little attention to her own matrimonial bonds that got her there, though. It was too much attention to other people's. When Mrs. Benfante heard her fellow - country - woman quoted as explaining that Mr. Benfante was her soul-mate, it seemed time to act. The judge paid the accused siren the tribute of placing her bail at \$1,500 on the charge of alienation of affections. Mrs. Benfante was willing to put up his property as security, but—irony! Mrs. Benfante had a dower right in it all and wouldn't let him. So there is the alienator in Ludlow jail.

It's tree-leaves that makes your motor run smoothly! That's the latest edict and it comes from an authority. J. E. Pennypacker, of this city, chief economist of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads and former secretary of the American Highway Association, believes that motorists generally should take more interest in the public roads movement—a selfish interest, if nothing else, because good roads mean direct saving of gasoline and in upkeep as well as adding to the comfort of the motorist. "And while he is advocating good roads," Mr. Pennypacker says, "the motorist should see that trees are planted alongside the smooth asphalt of bituminous macadam road. Motors run more smoothly when there is plenty of oxygen in the air. Where vegetation is profuse oxygen is increased. This, coupled with the smoothness of the road and decrease in tractive resistance, is responsible for the 'picking-up' of the motor and the increased speed of the car. The theory of this 'picking-up' had been expounded for some time but it was only recent tests made by scientists that proved conclusively the real cause. Experiments made in localities of tree-lined roads and on roads through treeless territory, showed that tree-bordered roads actually do make for economy in motor operation, when combined with asphalt or bituminous macadam."

Girls and boys seem to have about the same gifts and talents, after all. Maybe "Woman's place" isn't necessarily "in the home any more than man's. Here we had a cooking contest in one of our schools the other day, and the first prize went to the muffins baked by Adolph Kramer, aged eleven. Whether Adolph will cherish his prize and point to it with pride when he is seventy remains to be seen. We know that he will when he is seventy.

There is no step of the social ladder which New York has not experienced recently. Right after the case of the Prince de Bourbon, who turned out to be an ex-restaurant cook, and even ex-er-than that, a millhand, with no royal blood anywhere in the family just ambition, then here comes the Spanish count, whose claims seem sound, who has been posing as a plain working man and working quietly in a local department store. The most ambitious thing he has tried—and he accomplished it—was to marry a New Jersey school teacher the other day. Flora Nelson is now Countess de Jimenez and the Count continues to be a clerk. "No, I don't want to go back to Spain. I like department stores," he says. But his name which sounds like a joke is very real, say those who have investigated.

They are playing football in Russia. I don't know when anything has sounded more amazingly cheerful. We had heard that the Relief Committee working there was getting the famine under control, but we hadn't supposed they had done anything so remarkable as getting people back at games—and such a robust game as football. Dr. Boris Bogen, of New York, who is over there making an inspection tour for the American Jewish Relief Committee, writes back from the Odessa district telling about it. "I was told that the football teams were organized in 1916," he says, "but for the past three years, starvation has been too grim and invincible an opponent and had taken its heavy toll of deaths by thousands. Football was abandoned. In the past year, though, things have been changed decidedly for the better." He reports

that more than a million children and 800,000 adults are receiving meals daily from the organization and urges a continuation of the American relief work, and expansion of it, so that the salvation of the people, so well begun, may be carried out.

GAL 2—N Y LETTER

An Italian modiste almost held up traffic the other day when her liner docked here. All because of a garter. But such a garter! Pink and plushy, it was, and wide, and adorned with mother-of-pearl. And it held the stocking just two and one-half inches below the knee. More than that, it is so much "the thing" on the other side that we have her word for it, we've got to adopt it here. Maybe it is just as well that long skirts have arrived definitely and at last.

It is to be another season of mystery plays, we are told. The theatrical producers are just finding out what it is that holds the American heart most tensely, after all.

Amusement

AT THE STAGE DOOR

DELITE THURSDAY
Depicting a vivid picture of stage life, "At the Stage Door," a new R-C Picture, represents the directorial genius of William Christy Cabanne at its absolute best. His most recent subject opens an engagement at the Delite theater Thursday. Not only did Mr. Cabanne produce "At the Stage Door," but he also wrote the story, revealing a keen insight into the tinselled world behind the curtains and the footlights where Fate goes hand in hand with Romance and Adventure. The story has to do with the experiences of a country girl who goes to New York and gets a job in the chorus. The cast is composed of many well-known players, including Billie Dove, famous beauty of the Ziegfeld Follies and at present appearing in "Sally"; Elizabeth North, of the Greenwich Village Follies; Miriam Battista, Frances Hees, Margaret Foster, Willie Collier, Jr., C. Elliott Griffin, Myrtle Maughan, Charles Craig, Viva Ogden, Billy Quirk, Huntly Gordon and Doris Easton.

PRINCESS WEDNESDAY

What is declared to be one of the most remarkable photoplays of the season will be shown at the Princess Theatre when "Kazan," adapted from James Oliver Curwood's thrilling narrative of the same name, opens an engagement of one day beginning Wednesday. It is a William N. Selig production with Jane Novak in the leading role, supported by Ben Deeley, William Ryno, Ben Haggerty and Edwin Wallock. The story was adapted for the screen and directed by Bertram Bracken. It is a gripping tale of a great male mute dog named "Kazan," who becomes a killer following the murder of his master. He is the enemy of all mankind until he comes into contact with beautiful Joan Radisson, who befriends him and sets him free from his brutal surroundings. He joins a wolf pack, becomes its leader, and has an opportunity while leading the pack to show his appreciation to the one who befriended him when the wolves swoop down on the girl and a martrekling through the wilds of the great snow country. He fights off the pack in what is said to be one of the most thrilling scenes ever pictured. Twice more he saves this same girl, but on these occasions it is from a human wolf. He also visits a terrible revenge upon the slayer of his master. In his faithfulness to his own mate Kazan sets an example for a man and a girl to follow. The story, which ran in the Cosmopolitan Magazine, is one of the most charming and popular of James Oliver Curwood's works. In its picturization Bracken is said to have caught Curwood's inimitable spirit and understanding of the north-land and accomplished a screen masterpiece.

Glass Eggs for Bad Singers.

Friend of ours has discovered a new use for warm electric light bulbs. They are excellent, he says, to break up nocturnal feline convulsions. One flung out of the window will, with the resultant explosion, scatter the performers and insure peace for the night. —Boston Transcript.

Knowledge Well Worth Its Cost.

Knowledge will not be acquired without pains and application. It is troublesome and deep digging for pure waters, but when once you come to the spring, they rise up and meet you.—Fulton.

President Ceases Efforts In Peace

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given full protection and aid of the government.

The president, it was stated, was determined that the only course the government could now pursue was the path followed in the coal strike, that of extending an invitation to the coal operators to operate all properties with the co-operation of the states in which they operated and the aid of the Federal government to stand behind them in their efforts to serve the general public.

Killarney Falls To Nationalists

(By Associated Press.)

DUBLIN, Aug. 15.—Killarney, the last position of importance occupied by Irish irregulars in the county of Kerry, has been taken by national army troops.

MASONS MEET

Rising Sun Lodge No. 29 A. F. & A. M. will meet tonight at 7 o'clock for work in the E. A. & F. C. degrees, all masons are cordially invited to attend.

(Adv.) Aug. 15.—GEO. F. BELLA, W. M. Advertisement.

Common Sense About Eczema and Eruptions!

Here's Something About S. S. S. That You'll Be Glad to Hear.

You might just as well know it right now—the cause of skin eruptions, pimples, blackheads, boils and so on, is right in the blood. There is no getting away from it. Science has proved it. We prove it. You can prove it. When the cause of skin troubles and eruptions is in the blood, it can't com-



Let S. S. S. Give You An Angelic Skin! men means to simply treat the skin. A bottle of S. S. S. will prove to you what is happening in your blood. S. S. S. is a scientific blood cleanser—it drives out the impurities which cause eczema, tetter, rash, pimples, boils, blackheads, blotches and other skin eruptions. When these impurities are driven out, you can't stop several very nice things from happening. Your first turn naturally racy. Your eyes sparkle, your complexion clears. It becomes beautiful. Your face looks like that of a gentleman, or if you are a woman, your complexion becomes the real kind that the whole world so admires. S. S. S. is also a powerful body-builder, because it builds new and more blood-cells. That's why it fills out sunken cheeks, bony necks, thin limbs, helps regain lost flesh. It costs but 50¢ to have this happen to you. S. S. S. is sold at all drug stores, in two sizes. The larger size is the more economical.



If there
is only
one grain
of sugar
in a room

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IN hot, sticky weather exposed sugar attracts swarms of flies. You can't protect yourself from this menace if you buy exposed sugar, because sugar can't be washed or cleaned. You have to eat it just as it is, germs, dirt and all.

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The Gray that Comes Back over Night.

WOODWARD & DOWDY

HOME-MAKING HELPS

By WANDA BARTON

Some Table Talks to Interest Tiny Tots.

ONE of the greatest opportunities we mothers have, to give our wee ones object lessons on foods, geography and so on is at the family table, preferably at the luncheon table, because then oftentimes the mother and children are alone.

As the food is served, a carefully-thought-out little talk may be given by mother. Questions may be allowed to make the talk seem more like a story hour, and the points which remain in your children's memories, and in a most unexpected way help them when they get to school, for they can apply these facts, already familiar to them, to the theories they learn at school.

For instance, the common potato takes us to Ireland, where there is a lot to tell of habits, customs and folk-lore, fairy tales, superstitions, fishermen's boats with red sails, and the good nature said to come to those who kiss the blarney stone.

Or we may go with the potato to Bermuda, and after a wonderful trip we may get lost among the green hills and some of the onions are in the "grocer's basket" just around the corner, my dears.

Of course, the big, fat baked sweet potato may come from any one of our southern states, where it grows near the cotton the negroes pick while they sing plantation songs, or tell their little grandchildren tales of old slavery days, cornbread and "possum, and sheds of wonderful tobacco leaves drying for cigars.

The codfish creamed in the dish comes from waters around Prince Edward's Island, and the codfish industry makes a wonderful story of how the women spend hours and hours salting the fish for market, so that we may have it on our tables. The men and the wheat flour in our bread take us into the big western region of the United States, where there are most fascinating stories to be gathered.

Oranges and grapefruit will lead in

MIZPAH CHAPTER

Number 19 O. E. S. will meet in regular session this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

MRS. R. G. McCLURE.

History Moves on Wheels.

From the ancient days of dinosaur-drawn stone cart until the present time the history of civilization has been the history of transportation.

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SOCIETY NEWS

Margaret C. Shelton—Phone Decatur 352.

Monday

Missionary Society, First M. E. Church, 4 p. m. Church building
Circle No. 2 First Presbyterian Auxiliary, 4 p. m. Mrs. F. S. Hunt

Tuesday

Wednesday Club Mrs. Phillip Humphrey
Y. P. M. S., 9:30 a. m. Miss Odella Davis on Cain St.

Friday

Canal Street Rook Club Mrs. Phillip Humphrey.

HAYRIDE FOR VISITOR.

Miss Gladys Speice, of Huntsville, was honor guest at a hayride given by her hostess, Miss Sarah Blackwell, last night, with Mrs. Paul Brown as chaperone. They drove to Fennell Springs and there a delicious picnic lunch was enjoyed.

Those included in this affair were: Misses Margaret Simrell, Mildred Cotten, of Huntsville, Emma Pride, Myrtle Graves, Susie Gardner, Aileen Moseley, Gladys Speice, and Sarah Blackwell. Messrs. Ferdinand Phinizy, Louis Brown, Comer Ezell, Earl Parker, Julian Thomas, William McGwier, Herman Huie Lanier Royer, Terry Thompson, William Blackwell, and Cecil Holland.

CULLOM-LINCOLN.
Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Cullom announce the engagement of their daughter, Isabelle Payne, to John Henry Lincoln, of Buena Vista, Va. The wedding will take place in September—Nashville-Tennessean.

The foregoing announcement is of fond interest to the hosts of friends of Miss Cullom who has visited her aunt, Mrs. E. C. Payne here.

WEBSTER-LESLIE
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webster, of Huntsville announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Jane to Clarence A. Leslie—Nashville-Tennessean.

Miss Webster lived in Decatur for several years and since that time has attended a number of dances here where she is very popular among the members of the social set.

KRACKE-JENKINS.

A wedding of interest to their many friends, occurred at Hartselle Sunday evening, when Miss Annie Pearl Jenkins became the bride of Lieut. Lee Kracke of the Alabama cavalry troop located at Hartselle. The wedding was solemnized in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties, the ceremony being said by Rev. J. R. Harrell, pastor of the Christian church. This young couple will make their home at Hartselle.

WALLING-MURPHEY.

Miss Kate Murphey and William T. Walling were married at Falkville Sunday, by Rev. J. H. Hill. Both of these young people were reared at Falkville. The groom served in the World War and saw several months of service overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Matlock will leave Thursday accompanied by Mrs. Henry Walker, on an automobile trip through the mountains of East Tennessee and will visit Knoxville and nearby points.

Miss Catherine Owensby of the Matlock Store has gone on a buying trip east.

Miss Sazina Maxime of Aberdeen, Miss., is visiting her sister Mrs. A. Gerstenzang on Johnston street.

Miss Gladys Speice will return to her home in Huntsville today after visiting Miss Sarah Blackwell for the past ten days.

Mrs. Lute Couch and children, are visiting relatives in Caddo.

Miss Uina Hodges is ill of malaria fever at her home on East Moulton street.

Mrs. R. B. Smith, of Illinois, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Nelson.

Miss Bessie Sewell will visit relatives and friends in Hartselle on Saturday.

Mrs. V. F. Jamieson is improving after a recent illness.

Miss Elizabeth McKenzie, of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting Miss Mabel Eubanks.

Little Elizabeth Weller, of Fayetteville, Tenn., is the guest of relatives in Albany.

Mrs. George Ward of Birmingham, is the guest of Mrs. J. T. Price.

Miss Mildred Cotten, of Huntsville, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Margaret Simrell in Albany.

Mrs. W. B. Shackelford has returned from a stay in Vinemont, Ala.

Miss Clara Bryant is visiting relatives in Anniston, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Roper have returned from Atlanta, Ga., where they accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Harry Motrell on an automobile trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Wilson and children and Mrs. Chester Franklin, of Birmingham, are visiting Mrs. Theo Putman.

Mrs. S. W. Irwin and children returned last week from a six weeks stay at Monteagle, Tenn.

Mrs. Edith McKnight and daughter, Madeline have returned from Birmingham, where they visited Mrs. J. L. Armfield for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Thomas and son, Robin, have returned from Monteagle.

Ethridge Adams, popular prescriptionist at the Decatur Drug Co., was operated on at the Benevolent Hospital last night and is reported doing as well as could expect.

Mrs. Elizabeth Barclay of Millboro, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. Phinizy.

Little Hazel Hodges is visiting relatives in Athens, Ala.

Miss Pauline Coker, of Greenville, Ala., after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. W. B. Marksteen, has returned to her home.

Mrs. H. R. Howell and Mrs. J. J. Efflinger returned to their home in Florence after a visit to relatives here.

Miss Geannie Chenault will leave today to visit Miss Parvilee Hughes in Russellville, Ala.

Miss Sara Emens was hostess at a luncheon, on Saturday at Trinity for her attractive guest Miss Lillimaude Bell of Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Duncan of Birmingham are the guests of relatives at Trinity.

Misses Sara Lile and Stella Sewell will return to Trinity Thursday after spending three months at the Florence Normal.

Miss Beech of Scottsboro was the guest of her sister at Trinity.

Mrs. A. E. Baker after a two weeks visit to Vinemont has returned to Trinity.

Miss Annie Watson is expected to return today after a visit to relatives at Landersville.

Christopher Columbus' Big Crop.

The American sugar crop, which now goes all over the world, was planted by Christopher Columbus. On his second trip to this country he planted the sugar cane at Santo Domingo. It was the first crop to be grown in the new world and one which has grown each year.

Man With Backbone Wins.

The man who has no backbone is the weakling in business, shifted and shunted about by everyone with whom he comes in contact. But the man who has backbone is not trod upon—he is the one whose aggressiveness makes him successful and wins him respect.—Exchange.

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PERSONALS

Roy Rhinehart left this morning for Tuscaloosa, where he will be the guest of his brother.

Robert Bryant who was operated on at the hospital several days ago is doing remarkably well.

Elmer Lloyd is attending a family reunion at Pulaski, Tenn.

M. S. Bingham has returned from a business trip to Atlanta.

Grover Graves, cashier of the First National Bank of Hartselle, is in the city on business today.

I. J. Kent of Hartselle is in the city today.

Charles M. Dinsmore of Falkville is here today looking after business matters.

James Dinsmore of Falkville is a visitor today.

Nat A. Key of Gandies Cove, one of that section's foremost planters is here today.

Dr. Will S. Bean of Falkville, R. F. D. No. 1, is here attending the session of court. Dr. Bean is a J. P. in his section, and holds down the office with dignity and ability.

Hardie Harris of Hartselle is among the visitors here today.

Ed Harris, keeper of the county farm is here today on business.

E. E. Adams, popular employee of the Decatur Drug Company is at the Benevolent Hospital following an operation for appendicitis Monday night. Mr. Adams is reported to be resting well.

J. W. Hodges is suffering an attack of malaria.

Edward Felix Nelson has returned home after a three years foreign service in the U. S. Army.

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me."

"Rock of Ages," hymn by Augustus Montague Toplady, was first printed in 1770, and has since become one of the most popular of all Christian hymns. It has been translated into over three hundred languages. Toplady was inspired to write the hymn when he found refuge from a thunder storm in a cleft rock. The rock was located in Bladon parish, England.

No Tears.

A woman of many years of married life, giving advice to a young bride, dwelt particularly upon tears. The first time she sheds them "die" will be stricken with remorse, the second time he will be uncomfortable, the third he will think her a nuisance, and the fourth he will go out and bang the door. Evidently there is no place for tears in married life.

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